

**In the Claims:**

1-14. (canceled)

15. (new) A process for testing a circuit having both a vendor embedded circuit core and appended user circuitry, using ATPG software to generate test vectors therefore, comprising:

- A. generating a partial netlist of the entire vendor circuit;
- B. define at least one pseudo-pin input for at least some of the circuitry in the partial netlist;
- C. identify an output node of the vendor circuit to which the user circuitry will be connected;
- D. generate an abbreviated core netlist of the vendor circuit that includes the pseudo-pin input and the output node to produce outputs at the output node in response to an input.

16. (new) The process of claim 15 in which the pseudo-pins are substituted into the core netlist for at least some of the circuitry.